

REMARKS

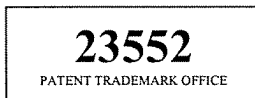
The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed February 17, 2006 has been received and reviewed.

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment states amendments to the specification are not presented on a separate sheet (see transmittal page). It is respectfully pointed out US Application 10/796,786 was filed as a continuation on March 9, 2004 in which the incorporation by reference statement was submitted in the transmittal. According to MPEP 201.06(c) IV continuation/divisional applications filed prior to September 21, 2004 were able incorporate the reference statement in the transmittal. Therefore, the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment is moot and withdrawal is respectfully requested.

An Application Data Sheet is also hereby attached to this communication.


In view of the above remarks, the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment should be withdrawn. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,



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